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SUBJ: SOVIET PROPOSED PROCEDURES

FOLLOWING IS THE TRANSLATION OF SOVIET DRAFT PROTOCOL FOR
REPLACEMENT PROCEDURES.

DRAFT PROTOCOL

ON PROCEDURES FOR REPLACEMENT OF LAND- BASED
ICBM LAUNCHERS OF OLDER TYPES AND BALLISTIC MISSILE
LAUNCHERS ON OLDER SUBMARINES BY BALLISTIC MISSILE
LAUNCHERS ON MODERN SUBMARINES

THIS PROTOCOL IS DRAWN UP IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE III OF THE
INTERIM AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE USSR AND THE USA ON CERTAIN MEASURES
WITH RESPECT TO THE LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS OF
MAY 26 1972, THE PROTOCOL TO THAT AGREEMENT, AND THE AGREED
INTERPRETIVE STATEMENTS REGARDING THE INTERIM AGREEMENT.

THE PARTIES HAVE AGREED TO BE GUIDED BY THE FOLLOWING:

1. WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE LEVELS ESTABLISHED FOR BOTH SIDES,
LAND- BASED INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE (ICBM) LAUNCHERS OF
OLDER TYPES DEPLOYED PRIOR TO 1964, BALLISTIC MISSILE LAUNCHERS ON
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ANY NUCLEAR- POWERED SUBMARINES, AND MODERN BALLISTIC MISSILE
LAUNCHERS

ON DIESEL SUBMARINES MAY BE REPLACED BY BALLISTIC MISSILE LAUNCHERS
ON MODERN NUCLEAR- POWERED SUBMARINES.

MODERN SUBMARINE- LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILES ARE UNDERSTOOD TO
BE: MISSILES OF THE TYPE INSTALLED IN NUCLEAR- POWERED SUBMARINES
WHICH BECAME OPERATIONAL IN THE SOVIET UNION AFTER 1965, AND IN
THE UNITED STATES -- MISSILES INSTALLED IN ALL NUCLEAR- POWERED
SUBMARINES.

LAUNCHERS FOR OLDER BALLISTIC MISSILES ON DIESEL SUBMARINES MAY
NOT BE USED FOR REPLACEMENT PURPOSES PROVIDED FOR IN THE PROTOCOL
TO
THE INTERIM AGREEMENT ON CERTAIN MEASURES WITH RESPECT TO THE
LIMITA-
TION OF STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS.

WITHIN THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN THE INTERIM AGREEMENT AND
THE PROTOCOL THERETO, REPLACEMENT SHALL BE CARRIED OUT ON THE BASIS
OF ONE NEW LAUNCHER FOR ONE OLDER LAUNCHER AND ONE NEW SUBMARINE
FOR
ONE SUBMARINE BEING REPLACED.

2. REPLACED LAND- BASED ICBM AND SUBMARINE- LAUNCHED MISSILE
LAUNCHERS ARE SUBJECT TO DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION AT THE
DISCRETION
OF THE SIDE CARRYING OUT THE REPLACEMENT.

DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION OF ICBM LAUNCHERS AND SUBMARINE-
LAUNCHED
BALLISTIC MISSILE LAUNCHERS IS UNDERSTOOD TO MEAN PUTTING THE
LAUNCHERS IN A CONDITION WHICH PRECLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR
USE FOR LAUNCHING ICBMS OR SUBMARINE- LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILES,
RESPECTIVELY.

MEASURES FOR DISMANTLING LAUNCHERS SHALL INCLUDE:

(A) FOR LAND- BASED ICBM LAUNCHERS:

-- REMOVAL FROM THE LAUNCH SITE OF THE SUPPLY OF MISSILES,
WARHEADS, AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT;

-- DISMANTLING OF LAUNCH EQUIPMENT AT THE LAUNCH SITE AND
REMOVAL OF THAT EQUIPMENT FROM THE LAUNCH SITE.

LAUNCH EQUIPMENT IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE SYSTEMS, AGGREGATES, AND
INSTRUMENTS REQUIRED TO LAUNCH A MISSILE.

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